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Interconnecting Electronic Devices (as
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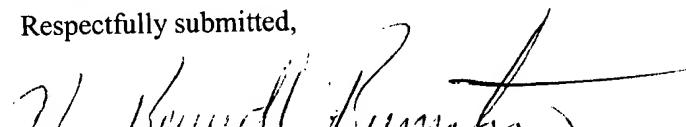
Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated May 21, 2002, Applicants elect the species corresponding to contact configuration "a" (i.e., Figure 2A) and mounting configuration "a" (i.e., Figures 1A-1E). Applicants understand "contact configuration" to refer to the shape of the contact and "mounting configuration" to refer to the manner in which the contact is mounted to a substrate or other entity. In this particular application, the claims that recite a contact structure do not limit the contact structure to any particular shape or manner of mounting. Thus, all pending claims read on the elected species and are generic to many—if not all—of the other species identified in the restriction requirement.

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Although Applicants believe that no extension of time and no fee are required, Applicants petition for any extension of time required for acceptance of this paper, and Applicants authorize the Director to charge any fee required for acceptance of this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-0285 (order no. P3D5-US).

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